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REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION

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Sir:

1. This is a Request for filing a new Patent Application (Design Utility) entitled:

AUTOMATIC DRILLING SYSTEM

2. (Complete) Title:

without a filing fee or Oath/Declaration but for which is enclosed the following:3. Abstract 1 page(s).4. 20 Pages of Specification (only spec. and claims); 5. Specification in non-English language6. 33 Numbered claim(s); and7. Drawings: 4 sheet(s) 1 set informal; 8. formal of size: A4 11"9. DOMESTIC/INTERNATIONAL priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e)/120/365(c) based on the following provisional, nonprovisional and/or PCT international application(s):

Application No.	Filing Date	Application No.	Filing Date
(1) 60/459,503	04-01-03	(2)	
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(3)		(6)	
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10. FOREIGN priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(a)-(d)/365(b) based on filing in

Application No.	Filing Date	Application No.	Filing Date
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11. (No.) Certified copy (copies): attached; previously filed (date) _____
in U.S. Application No. / filed on _____12. This is a reissue of Patent No. _____13. See top first page re prior Provisional, National, International application(s) (X box only if info is
there and do not complete corresponding item 14 or 15.)14. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line -- This is a Continuation-in-Part
 Divisional Continuation Substitute Application (MPEP 201.09) of:

14(a) National Appln. No. / filed ---(M#)

14(b) International Appln. No. PCT/ filed which designated the U.S., and that International Application was was not published under PCT Article 21(2) in English.--

15. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/ __ , filed __ .--

16. Extension to date: concurrently filed not needed previously filed

17. Small Entity Status is claimed (pre-filing confirmation required)

17(a) Attached: (No.) Small Entity Statement(s). (Since 9/8/00 Small Entity Statement not essential to make claim)

17(b) See NONPUBLICATION REQUEST under Rule 213(a) attached (PAT-258)

18. Prior application is assigned to

by Assignment recorded _____ Reel _____ Frame _____

19. Attached: New Application Cover Sheet; and Return Postcard

20. This application is made by the following named inventor(s) (Double check instructions for accuracy.):
(Listing of inventor(s) not a requirement, but list if known)

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21. NOTE: FOR ADDITIONAL INVENTORS, check box
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